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(TOWN WARRANT)

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the inhabitants of the town of Westmoreland in the county of Cheshire in said state, qualified to vote in town affairs.

You are hereby notified to meet at the town hall in said Westmoreland on Tuesday, the twelfth day of March next, at ten of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary town officers for the year ensuing.
2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year, and make appropriation of the same.
3. To see what sum of money in addition to what is required by law the town will raise for highways and bridges.
4. To see if the town will vote to apply for state aid for trunk line construction and raise money for the same.
5. To see if the town will vote to apply for state aid for trunk line maintenance and raise money for the same.
6. To see if the town will vote to apply for state aid for state road maintenance and raise money for the same.
7. To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of twenty-five dollars for the observance of Old Home Day.

8. To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of seven hundred twenty-one and 98-100 dollars to pay for labor and material for the construction of the town hall.

9. To see if the town will vote to accept two A. T. & T. Co. bonds of one thousand dollars each the income to be used for the benefit of the library and one A. T. & T. Co. bond of one thousand dollars the income to be used for the children at Christmas, left said town by will of Oliver L. Briggs.

Given under our hands and seal, twenty-first day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and eighteen.

EDWARD C. GREENE,

CARROLL F. CAPRON,

Selectmen of Westmoreland.

A true copy of warrant—Attest:

EDWARD C. GREENE,

CARROLL F. CAPRON,

Selectmen of Westmoreland.

BUDGET OF THE TOWN

ESTIMATES OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES FOR
THE ENSUING YEAR FEBRUARY 1, 1918, TO JAN-
UARY 31, 1919, COMPARED WITH ACTUAL
REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES OF
THE PREVIOUS YEAR FEB-
RUARY 16, 1917, TO
JANUARY 31, 1918

SOURCES OF REVENUE

	Actual revenue previous year 1917	Estimated revenue ensuing year 1918	Increase	Decrease
From state:				
Insurance tax,	\$6 75	\$6 75		
Railroad tax,	332 65	360 00	\$27 35	
Savings bank tax,	334 67	250 00		\$84 67
For highways:				
(a) For state aid main- tenance,	362 95	275 00		87 95
(b) For trunk line maintenance,		850 00	850 00	
From local sources except taxes:				
Rent of town hall and other buildings,	20 50	75 00	54 50	

	Actual revenue previous year 1917	Estimated revenue ensuing year 1918	Increase	Decrease
Interest received on taxes and deposits,	36 31	50 00	13 69	
From poll taxes,	338 00	312 00		26 00

**Revenue applicable only
to new construction
and improvements:**

From state:

For trunk line highway construction,		892 50	892 50	
Amount raised by issue of bonds or notes,	3000 00			

**Revenue which must be
paid to other govern-
mental divisions:**

State literary fund,	75 60	72 00		3 60
State aid for education,	713 82	725 00	11 18	
Dog licenses,	97 80	97 80		

Total revenues from all sources except property taxes,	\$5319 05	\$3836 05	\$1849 22	\$202 22
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Amount raised by proper- ty taxes,	11915 42	14741 25		
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PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES

	Actual expenditures previous year 1917	Estimated expenditures ensuing year 1918	Increase	Decrease
Current maintenance expenses:				
General government:				
Town officers' salaries,	\$521 65	\$650 00	\$128 35	
Town officers' expenses,	158 00	100 00		\$58 00
Election and registra- tion expenses,		100 00	100 00	
Care and supplies for town hall,	319 90	150 00		169 90
Protection of per- sons and prop- erty:				
Police department, keeping tramps,	38 50	60 00	21 50	
Health:				
Health department,		20 00	20 00	
Vital statistics,	3 75	6 00	2 25	
Highways and bridges:				
State aid maintenance, state's contribution,	350 00	275 00		75 00
State aid maintenance, town's contribution,	350 00	275 00		75 00
Trunk line mainte- nance, state's contri- bution,		850 00	850 00	

	Actual expenditures previous year 1917	Estimated expenditures ensuing year 1918	Increase	Decrease
Trunk line maintenance, town's contribution,		425 00	425 00	
Town maintenance,	2921 52	3000 00	78 48	
General expenses of highway department,	22 40	25 00	2 60	
Education:				
Libraries,	139 60	39 60		100 00
Recreation:				
Parks and playgrounds, Old Home Day,	25 00	25 00		
Public Service Enterprises:				
Cemeteries,	39 00	50 00	11 00	
Damage and legal expenses,	1159 00			1159 00
Interest:				
On temporary loans,	75 51	100 00	24 49	
On long-term notes,	108 45	135 00	26 55	
On principal of trust funds used by town,	361 57	350 00		11 57
Outlay for new construction and permanent improvements:				
Highways and bridges:				
Town construction,		2000 00	2000 00	

	Actual expenditures previous year 1917	Estimated expenditures ensuing year 1918	Increase	Decrease
Trunk line construction, state's contribution,		892 50	892 50	
Trunk line construction, town's contribution,		892 50	892 50	
New buildings,	3600 00	1000 00		2600 00

Indebtedness:

Payments on principal of debt:

Long term notes,	500 00	500 00		
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Payments to other governmental divisions:

State taxes,	1122 00	1056 00		66 00
County taxes,	1600 70	1600 70		
Payments to school districts,	3587 84	4000 00	412 16	

Total expenditures, \$16474 39 \$18577 30 \$6377 38 \$4314 47

EFFECT ON TAX RATE

Assessed valuation previous year,	\$595,771 00
Estimated decrease in assessed valuation,	8,000 00
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Estimated assessed valuation ensuing year,	\$587,771 00
Amount required by budget to be raised by prop- erty taxes,	14,741 25
Tax rate ensuing year per \$100 of valuation,	2 51

Every appropriation of \$1,000 in addition to the estimates of this budget will raise the tax rate \$0.17 plus per \$100 valuation.

REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN

From Feb. 15, 1917, to Feb. 1, 1918

INVENTORY APRIL 1, 1917

169 polls.	
Real estate, resident,	\$373,010 00
Real estate, non-resident,	125,570 00
233 horses, resident,	23,385 00
10 horses, non-resident,	1,700 00
10 mules,	1,300 00
13 oxen,	980 00
769 cows, resident,	35,905 00
5 cows, non-resident,	235 00
124 neat stock, resident,	5,095 00
13 neat stock, non-resident,	580 00
70 sheep,	435 00
10 hogs,	350 00
1936 fowls,	1,487 00
24 vehicles,	5,550 00
1 portable mill,	1,000 00
Wood and lumber, resident,	3,050 00
Wood and lumber, non-resident,	2,250 00
Bank stock,	3,589 00
Money at interest,	2,300 00

Stock in trade,	4,800 00
Mills and ferries,	3,200 00
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Total for assessment,	\$595,771 00
Amount exempt to soldiers, real estate,	\$5,600 00
Amount exempt to soldiers, personal property,	100 00
Amount exempt for planted pine,	500 00
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	\$6,200 00
Total valuation,	\$601,971 00

ASSESSMENT, 1917

State tax,	\$990 00
State tax for Mexican border service,	132 00
County tax,	1,600 70
Ordinary town charges,	1,200 00
Highways by law,	1,489 43
Highways and bridges by vote,	1,900 00
Library by law,	39 60
Library by vote,	100 00
Town hall construction,	600 00
Seating for town hall,	700 00
Old Home Day,	25 00
Schools by law,	990 00
Schools by vote,	1,200 00
Books and supplies,	175 00
High school tuition,	400 00
Flags and appurtenances,	5 00
Furnace for school house,	350 00
Overlay,	356 69
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	\$12,253 42

AFTER ASSESSMENTS

Money at interest, \$1850,	\$37 00
Real estate, \$200,	4 00
1 poll tax,	2 00
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	\$43 00
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Total tax committed to collector,	\$12,296 42
Rate, \$0.02.	

TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES

E. C. Clough, selectman, making reports, 1917,	\$16 00
E. C. Greene, selectman, making reports, 1917,	14 00
Albert S. Chickering, selectman, making reports, 1917,	12 00
Fred G. Parker, collector, balance 1916 tax,	20 00
O. G. Thompson, auditor, Feb. 1917,	8 00
Charles H. Aldrich, auditor, Feb. 1917,	5 00
A. J. Buffum, ballot clerk,	2 00
Carroll F. Capron, selectman,	120 00
Edward C. Greene, selectman,	125 00
John W. Atherton, selectman,	50 75
Carroll F. Capron, supervisor,	5 00
Edwin J. Goodnow, town clerk,	20 40
Edd L. Scripture, constable,	5 00
George A. Capron, constable,	5 00
Asa A. Whitman, collector, part payment,	75 00
Paul D. King, moderator,	3 50
Alson C. Cobb, treasurer,	35 00
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	\$521 65

TOWN OFFICERS' EXPENSES

E. C. Clough, express on reports and sample chairs and postage on reports,	\$4 42
Sentinel Printing Co., printing reports,	72 60
Edson Eastman, accounting system,	23 30
Mason Insurance Co., collector's bond,	15 00
O. E. Cain, retainer fee to Aug. 1, 1917,	10 10
A. C. Cobb, telephone, postage and supplies,	6 50
W. H. Spalter, books and supplies,	21 08
E. C. Greene, postage, express and telephone,	5 00
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	\$158 00

TOWN HALL ACCOUNT

Receipts:

Received for rent of hall,	\$20 50
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Expenditures:

Keene Gas & Electric Co., lighting from May 17, 1917, to Jan. 14, 1918,	\$20 82
A. B. Palmer, insurance,	112 89
Mason Insurance Agency, insurance,	92 50
E. B. Derry, janitor service,	20 40
L. M. Willard, lamps,	1 81
E. C. Greene, drawing wood,	17 50
Byron Davis, sawing wood,	3 57
Donald A. Wellington, helping saw wood,	1 00
G. E. Britton, 1 cord wood fitted,	7 25
E. C. Wellington, wood,	27 25
B. J. Simonds, fire extinguishers,	15 00
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	\$319 90

BOUNTIES

E. C. Greene,	\$3 40
Carroll F. Capron,	9 20
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	\$12 60
Received from state,	12 00
Due from state,	60

DAMAGE BY DOGS

Amount of license received for dogs, 1916,	\$134 10
Paid Sidney C. Ellis Est., for sheep killed, 1914,	75 00
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Paid school district, balance,	\$59 10
Amount of license received for dogs, 1917,	\$97 80
Paid Harry E. Staples, for sheep killed, 1917,	30 00
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Due school district,	\$67 80

KEEPING TRAMPS

B. R. Wheeler, keeping 110 tramps,	\$38 50
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VITAL STATISTICS

James A. Craig, returning birth and death certificates,	\$3 75
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HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES

State aid maintenance:

Money available:

Balance in state treasury Feb. 15, 1917,	\$66 73
Balance in town treasury Feb 15, 1917,	199 98
Appropriation, town, 1917,	350 00
Appropriation, state, 1917,	350 00
Extra appropriation, state, 1917,	141 67
Total joint fund,	<hr/> \$1,108 38

Expenditures:

Herbert S. Hall, state orders,	\$552 74
Arthur E. Johnson, state orders,	302 11
Herbert D. Fogg, state orders,	4 30
Total expenditures,	<hr/> \$859 15
Balance in town treasury Feb. 1, 1918,	\$53 78
Balance in state treasury Feb. 1, 1918,	195 45
Total unexpended balance,	<hr/> \$249 23

Town patrol Mill Brook road:

Town appropriation, 1917,	\$250 00
Paid Arthur E. Johnson,	183 78
Unexpended balance,	<hr/> \$66 22

William E. Lawrence, district highway:

March account,	\$7 75
April account,	54 75
May account,	26 00

June account,	135 80
July account,	11 55
August account,	69 70
September account,	146 10
October account,	9 75
November account,	17 80

\$479 20

William E Lawrence, bridge account:

April account,	\$1 00
June account,	21 83
September account,	269 22
October account,	211 96
November account,	89 73
December account,	196 07
January account,	13 67

\$803 48

William E. Lawrence, district snow account:

March account,	\$20 81
December account,	19 13
January account,	32 10

\$72 04

Lawrence C. Burt, district highway account:

May account,	\$56 94
June account,	209 59
July account,	23 86
August account,	69 27
September account,	67 20
October account,	27 27
November account,	5 37
North East Metal Culvert Co., 1 culvert,	39 93

\$499 43

Lawrence C. Burt, district bridge account:

September account,	\$34 18
October account,	10 00
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	\$44 18

Lawrence Burt, snow account:

December account,	\$85 56
January account,	46 96
Harry E. Staples,	10 25
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	\$142 77

George A. Capron, district highway account:

April account,	\$20 45
May account,	95 81
June account,	92 76
August account,	132 17
September account,	119 31
October account,	67 41
North East Metal Culvert Co., 2 culverts,	52 23
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	\$580 14

George A. Capron, district bridge account:

December account,	\$8 10
O. G. Thompson, plank,	7 46
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	\$15 56

George A. Capron, district snow account:

March, 1917, S. B. Putnam,	\$49 50
December, G. W. Hall,	33 60
January, G. W. Hall,	10 00
January, George A. Capron,	7 84
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	\$100 94

General highway account:

A. J. Buffum, finishing town line posts,	\$0 50
Charles H. Norcross, repairing road machinery,	9 40
Hollis Stoddard, watching at bridge one night,	2 50
Lois W. Leach, building rent,	5 00
Forrest W. Hall, storing snow roller 2 years,	5 00
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	\$22 40

LIBRARY ACCOUNT

Raised by law,	\$39 60
Raised by vote,	100 00
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	\$139 60
Paid Willard Bill, Jr., treasurer library trustees,	\$139 60

COUNTY ACCOUNT

Due from county Feb. 15, 1917,	\$207 19
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Expenditures:

Charles B. Gannett, needy blind man aid,	\$150 00
E. Warren, goods for Mrs. Finch,	269 37
G. H. Aldrich, house rent, Mrs. Finch,	45 00
E. Warren, goods for Frank Field,	18 57
E. Warren, goods for Elwin Wilcox,	8 29
E. J. Holden, goods for Elwin Wilcox,	39 38
George B. Veazie, goods for Elwin Wilcox,	33 27
E. C. Greene, goods for Elwin Wilcox,	3 00
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	\$566 88
Total,	<hr/>
	\$774 07

Received from county,	559 70
Due from county Feb. 1, 1918,	\$214 37

OLD HOME DAY

Raised by vote,	\$25 00
Paid F. W. Hall, treasurer,	25 00

PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISES

Cemeteries:

Warren Shelley, driving hearse,	\$36 00
Henry D. Pierce, driving hearse,	3 00
	\$39 00

UNCLASSIFIED

Damages:

Erwin J. Stoddard, damage on Starkey bridge,	\$950 00
Ernest Richards, damage on Starkey bridge,	200 00
L. H. Bugbee, M. D., attendance, Ernest Richards,	9 00
	\$1,159 00

INTEREST ACCOUNT

Temporary loans:

Cheshire County Savings Bank,	\$11 47
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Cheshire National Bank,	45 29	
Cheshire National Bank,	18 75	
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		\$75 51
Long term notes:		
Cheshire County Savings Bank,		\$108 45
Trust Fund notes:		
Willard Bill, Jr., treasurer library trustees, 2 years' interest on West fund library note,	\$40 80	
E. C. Wellington, treasurer trustees public funds, interest on trust fund notes to date,	320 77	
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		\$361 57
Total amount of interest paid,		<hr/>
		\$545 53

OUTLAY FOR NEW CONSTRUCTION AND PERMANENT IMPROVEMENTS

Town hall:	
Jennie L. Craig, treasurer building committee,	\$3,600 00
New equipment for town hall:	
Readsboro Chair Co., seats for town hall,	\$651 52
Elwin C. Clough, freight on seats,	20 48
A. J. Buffum, making tables,	17 35

E. C. Wellington, lumber for tables,	10 63
H. H. Burley, one table,	4 00
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	\$703 98

INDEBTEDNESS

Paid on temporary loans:

Cheshire County Savings Bank,	\$600 00
Cheshire National Bank,	3,500 00
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	\$4,100 00

PAYMENTS TO OTHER GOVERNMENTAL DIVISIONS

J. W. Plummer, state tax,	\$990 00
J. W. Plummer, special state tax for Mexican border service,	132 00
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	\$1,122 00
Wallace L. Mason, county tax,	\$1,600 70

SCHOOL ACCOUNT

Balance in town treasury Feb. 15, 1917,	\$62 84
Raised by law,	990 00
Raised by vote,	1,200 00
Books and supplies,	175 00
High school tuition,	400 00

Flags and appurtenances,	5 00
Furnaces for school house,	350 00
Dog license,	59 00
State literary fund,	75 60
Proportion of school fund,	713 82
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	\$4,031 26
 Paid William S. Gooch, district treasurer,	 \$312 84
Alson C. Cobb, district treasurer,	3,275 00
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	\$3,587 84
 Balance due district Feb. 1, 1918,	 \$443 42

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD C. GREENE,
CARROLL F. CAPRON,
Selectmen of Westmoreland.

February 1, 1918.

FINANCIAL REPORT
OF THE TOWN OF WESTMORELAND
IN CHESHIRE COUNTY

For the Fiscal Year Ending January 31, 1918

Certificate

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete and correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Feb. 1, 1918.

EDWARD C. GREENE,
 CARROLL F. CAPRON,
 Selectmen.

ASSETS

Cash:

In hands of treasurer,	\$349 25
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Accounts due to town:

Due from state:

(a) Joint highway accounts, unexpended balances	
in state treasury, construction,	292 98
(b) Maintenance account,	195 45
(c) Hedgehog bounties,	60

Due from county,	214 37
Other bills due town:	
(a) Grange for rent of hall,	19 00
Taxes not collected, levy of 1917,	863 68
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Total assets,	\$1,935 33
Excess of liabilities over assets (net debt),	12,272 92
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Grand total,	\$14,208 25
Net debt, February 15, 1917,	\$9,333 31
Net debt, January 31, 1918,	12,272 92
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Increase of debt,	\$2,940 21
Purpose for which debt was created: Bridge damage and town hall construction.	

LIABILITIES

Accounts owed by the town:	
Bills outstanding, United Construction Co., bridge,	\$1,230 00
United Construction Co., stringers,	134 00
Due to school districts:	
(a) Dog licenses,	67 80
(c) Balance in town treasury,	443 42
State and town joint highway accounts:	
(a) Unexpended balances in state treasury, construction account,	292 98
(b) Unexpended balances in town treasury, construction,	732 37
Maintenance balances in state treasury,	195 45

Maintenance balances in town treasury,	53 78
Unexpended balance in town treasury, permanent fund,	595 00
Long term notes outstanding, construction town hall,	3,000 00
Trust funds, amount of principal used by town,	7,463 45
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Total liabilities,	\$14,208 25
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Grand total,	\$14,208 25

RECEIPTS

Current revenue:

From local taxes:

Amount committed to collector,

\$12,296 42

1. Property and poll taxes, current year, actually collected, \$11,430 84
2. Property and poll taxes, previous years, actually collected, 187 57

From state:

3. For highways, 362 95
4. Insurance tax, 6 75
5. Railroad tax, 332 65
6. Savings bank tax, 334 67
8. Literary fund, 75 60
9. State aid for education, 713 82
12. Bounties, 12 00

From county:

13. For support of poor, 559 70

From local sources except taxes:

15. Dog licenses,	97 80
18. Rent of town hall,	20 50
19. Interest received on taxes,	36 31
25. Cement sold,	114 99
26. Old iron sold,	12 00

Total current revenue receipts,	\$14,298 15
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Receipts other than current revenue:

27. Temporary loans in anticipation of taxes during year,	\$4,100 00
28. Long term notes during year,	3,000 00

Total receipts other than current revenue,	\$7,100 00
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Total receipts from all sources,	\$21,398 15
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Cash on hand at beginning of year,	1,103 10
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Grand total,	\$22,501 25
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PAYMENTS

Current maintenance expenses:

1. Town officers' salaries,	\$521 65
2. Town officers' expenses,	158 00
5. Expenses town hall and buildings,	319 90

	\$999 55
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Protection of persons and property:

6. Police department, including care of tramps,	\$38 50
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9. Bounties,	12 60	
10. Damage by dogs,	105 00	
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Health:		
12. Vital statistics,		3 75
Highways and bridges:		
14. State aid maintenance,	\$859 15	
15. Bridges,	863 22	
16. Town maintenance,	1,742 55	
17. Snow,	315 75	
18. General expenses of highway department, including watering troughs,	22 40	
	<hr/>	3,803 07
Education:		
19. Libraries,		139 60
Charities:		
21. County poor,		566 88
Recreation:		
24. Parks and playgrounds, including band concerts, Old Home Day,		25 00
Public service enterprises:		
27. Cemeteries, including hearse hire,		39 00
Unclassified:		
28. Damages and legal expenses,	1,159 00	
Total current maintenance expenses,	<hr/>	\$6,891 95

Interest:

32. Paid on temporary loans in anticipation of taxes,	\$75 51	
33. Paid on long term notes,	108 45	
35. Paid on principal of trust funds used by town,	361 57	
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Total interest payments,		\$545 53

Outlay for new construction and permanent improvements:

41. Lands and buildings, town hall,	\$3,600 00	
42. New equipment, furniture for town hall,	703 98	
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Total outlay payments,		\$4,303 98

Indebtedness:

43. Payments on temporary loans in anticipation of taxes,	\$4,100 00	
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Total indebtedness payments,		\$4,100 00

Payments to other governmental divisions:

47. Taxes paid to state,	\$1,122 00	
48. Taxes paid to county,	1,600 70	
50. Payments to school districts,	3,587 84	
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Total payments to other governmental divisions,		\$6,310 54
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Total payments for all purposes,		\$22,152 00
Cash on hand at end of year,		349 25
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Grand total,		\$22,501 25

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

1.	Town hall, lands and buildings,	\$12,000 00
	Furniture and equipment,	1,200 00
2.	Libraries, lands and buildings,	1,200 00
	Furniture and equipment, not including books,	100 00
5.	Highway department, equipment,	350 00
8.	All other property and equipment:	
	Hearse and harness,	250 00
	Hearse house,	100 00
	Old town hall lot,	25 00
Total,		<hr/> \$15,225 00

REPORT OF TREASURER

For the Year Ending Feb. 1, 1918.

RECEIPTS

Balance in treasury from 1916,	\$1,103 10
Cheshire County Savings Bank, town notes,	3,600 00
A. A. Whitman, taxes of 1917,	11,432 90
F. G. Parker, taxes of 1916,	176 44
F. G. Parker, interest of 1916,	18 51
F. G. Parker, taxes of 1914,	11 13
F. G. Parker, interest of 1914,	15 74
Cheshire National Bank, town note, June 2,	1,000 00
J. A. Craig, building committee, cement,	114 99
County orders, pauper account,	559 70
Cheshire National Bank, town note, July 7,	1,000 00
E. C. Greene, old iron,	12 00
E. J. Goodnow, dog tax,	97 80
Cheshire National Bank, town note, Oct. 6,	1,500 00
E. B. Derry, hall rent,	20 50
J. W. Plummer, insurance tax,	6 75
J. W. Plummer, railroad tax,	332 65
J. W. Plummer, savings bank tax,	334 67
J. W. Plummer, literary fund,	75 60
J. W. Plummer, proportion school fund,	713 82
J. W. Plummer, state maintenance,	362 95
J. W. Plummer, hedgehog bounty,	12 00

\$22,501 25

EXPENDITURES

J. W. Plummer, state tax,	\$1,122 00
W. L. Mason, county tax,	1,600 70
School district, account,	3,587 84
Sentinel Printing Co., reports,	72 60
Jennie L. Craig, town hall account,	3,600 00
Readsboro Chair Co., chairs for hall,	651 52
Cheshire County Savings Bank, interest on notes,	40 95
F. W. Hall, Old Home Day appropriation,	25 00
A. B. Palmer, insurance on town hall,	112 80
Mason Insurance Agency, insurance on town hall,	40 00
Irwin Stoddard, damage on team,	950 00
Ernest Richards, damage,	200 00
Cheshire County Savings Bank, note and interest,	611 47
Cheshire National Bank, note and interest,	2,045 95
Cheshire National Bank, note and interest,	1,518 75
Cheshire County Savings Bank, interest on notes,	67 50
Willard Bill, Jr., library appropriation,	139 60
Town orders,	5,765 32
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	\$22,152 00
Balance in treasury,	349 25
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	\$22,501 25

A. C. COBB,
Treasurer.

We the undersigned have examined the accounts of the selectmen, treasurer and collector of taxes and find them correct and properly vouched.

OMER G. THOMPSON,
ELWIN C. CLOUGH,
Auditors.

STATEMENT OF TREASURER OF TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC FUNDS

For Year Ending Feb. 1, 1918

RECEIPTS

Of W. S. Gooch,	\$146 82
Interest on town notes,	320 77
Edwin J. Goodnow's note,	207 40
Interest on note,	9 72
Cheshire County Savings Bank book,	26 01
Interest on above Savings Bank book,	61
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	\$711 33

EXPENDITURES

George Brown, cemetery work,	\$10 00
F. W. Hall, cemetery work,	14 47
F. W. Hall, cemetery fence,	54 87
A. C. Cobb, interest on school funds,	187 14
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	\$266 48

ON HAND

Deposited in Ashuelot National Bank,-	
interest on cemetery funds,	\$142 67
Deposits in Cheshire County Savings	
Bank, interest on Lord fund,	94 78
Check, amount of Edwin J. Goodnow's note,	207 40
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	\$444 85
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	\$711 33

Respectfully submitted,

E. C. WELLINGTON,

Treasurer.

REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC FUNDS

For The Year Ending Feb. 1, 1918

INTEREST ON SCHOOL DISTRICT FUNDS

Town literary fund note, \$1772.67, rate	
6 per cent,	\$102 22
Part of town note of Fox fund, \$572.60, rate 5 per cent,	27 52
Town note of part of Fox fund, \$220.00, rate 4 per cent,	8 46
Goodnow note of part of Fox fund,	
\$207.40, rate 5 per cent,	9 72
Town note of part of Estey fund, \$514.03, rate 5 per cent,	24 70
Town note of part of Estey fund, \$377.64, rate 4 per cent,	14 52
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	\$187 14

INTEREST ON CEMETERY FUNDS

Town note of Frank T. Cole fund,	
\$500.00, rate 5 per cent,	\$24 02
Part of town note of \$1481.50, Britton	
fund, \$200.00, rate 5 per cent,	9 61
Town note of Charlotte West fund,	
\$300.00, rate 4 per cent,	11 53
Town note of Emily Estey fund, \$200.00,	
rate 4 per cent,	7 68
Town note of Frank A. Ware fund,	
\$100.00, rate 4 per cent,	3 84

Town note of Mary A. Graves fund,	
\$100.00, rate 4 per cent,	3 84
Town note of Gline fund, \$132.00, rate 4 per cent,	5 07
Town note of Hunt fund, \$100.00, rate 4 per cent,	3 84
Town note of Shelley fund, \$50.00, rate 4 per cent,	1 92
Town note of Stratton fund, \$100.00, rate 4 per cent,	3 84
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	\$75 19

INTEREST ON JOTHAM LORD FUND

Town note of \$1,529.64, 4 per cent,	\$58 80
Part of town note, \$1,481.50, \$194.87, 5 per cent,	9 36
W. G. Reed note, \$200.00,	
Cheshire County Savings Bank, \$26.01,	61
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	\$68 77

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS

School funds,	\$187 14
Cemetery funds,	75 19
Jotham Lord fund,	68 77
Edwin J. Goodnow note,	207 40
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	\$538 50

DISBURSEMENTS

Paid for labor in Lord cemetery,	\$4 97
Paid for labor in Pratt cemetery,	2 00
Paid for labor in Chaffin cemetery,	3 00

Paid for labor in Britton lot,	4 50
Paid Jotham Lord fund,	68 77
Paid for fencing for Edson cemetery,	54 87
Paid for labor in Gline cemetery,	10 00
Paid A. C. Cobb, interest on school funds,	187 14
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	\$335 25

MONEY DUE CEMETERIES

Abandoned cemeteries,	\$4 79
Gline cemetery,	10 36
Starkey and Brown lots,	14 11
Britton and Estey lots,	39 71
South village cemetery,	
West fund,	23 93
Ware fund,	7 91
Hunt fund,	7 91
Stratton fund,	8 39
Shelley fund,	4 19
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	\$121 30

JOTHAM LORD FUND

Town note of, \$1,529.64, rate 4 per cent,	\$1,529 64
Part of town note of \$1,481.50, \$194.87, rate 5 per cent,	194 87
W. G. Reed note, \$200.00, accrued interest, \$18.69,	218 69
Cheshire County Savings Bank,	94 17
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	\$2,037 37

ELIPHALET FOX FUND

Part of town note, \$1,481.50, \$572.60, rate 5 per cent,	\$572 60
Town note of \$220.00, rate 4 per cent,	220 00
Cash in hands of trustees,	207 40
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	\$1,000 00

HENRY ESTEY FUND

Part of town note, \$1,481.50, \$514.03, rate 5 per cent,	\$514 03
Town note of \$377.64, rate 4 per cent,	377 64
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	\$891 67

STATEMENT OF INVESTMENTS

Town literary fund note,	\$1,772 67
Town note,	1,529 64
Town note,	1,481 50
Town note,	500 00
Town note,	377 64
Town note,	300 00
Town note,	220 00
Town note,	200 00
Town note,	132 00
Town note,	100 00
Town note,	100 00
Town note,	100 00

Town note,	100 00
Town note,	50 00
W. G. Reed note,	200 00
Cheshire County Savings Bank,	94 78
Check, (amount of E. J. Goodnow's note) on hand,	207 40
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	\$7,465 63

A. C. COBB,
 FORREST W. HALL,
 E. C. WELLINGTON,
 Trustees of Public funds, Westmoreland.

We have examined the accounts of the trustees of public funds and find them correct.

ELWIN C. CLOUGH,
 OMER G. THOMPSON,
 Auditors.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF THE TOWN HALL BUILDING COMMITTEE

RECEIPTS

1917	
Feb. 17, amount on hand at end of year,	\$221 15
Mar. 7, received of E. C. Greene, 1 bunch of lath,	45
Mar. 19, received of selectmen,	1,000 00
April 7, received of selectmen,	2,600 00
May, received of Elmer F. Ware, flooring,	1 35
Oct. 7, received of Wm. S. Starkey, flooring,	22 47
Oct. 20, received of Lyman P. Briggs, flooring,	2 50
Nov. 5, received of J. E. Sheldon, lumber,	4 25
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Total amount receipts,	\$3,852 17
Total amount expenditures,	\$3,852 17

EXPENDITURES

1917	
Feb. 17, paid Fred A. Cole, acc't of Thorwald Hanson,	\$9 25
Feb. 21, Kirke W. Wheeler, 42 hrs. work at 30c,	12 60
Feb. 22, Omer G. Thompson, freight and drawing,	8 34
Feb. 26, Kirke W. Wheeler, 38 1-2 hrs. work at 30c,	11 55
Mar. 10, A. H. Erickson, laying floor,	103 68

Mar. 12, Horatio Black, labor,	1 50
Mar. 14, Kirke W. Wheeler, labor,	5 00
Mar. 15, George H. Craig, painting,	19 00
Mar. 15, Eva J. Burt, board of G. H. Craig,	5 00
Mar. 15, Wm. O. Dinsmore, labor,	15 00
Mar. 15, Herbert S. Hall, labor with team,	21 05
Mar. 19, Hertzberg Brothers, painter,	10 32
Mar. 19, C. F. Joslin, labor,	13 50
Mar. 19, Arthur Chickering, lumber,	720 43
Mar. 19, Boston Metal Ceiling Co.,	257 83
Mar. 19, Kirke W. Wheeler, labor,	5 00
April 7, Town of Westmoreland,	114 99
April 9, Alba J. Buffum, labor,	310 76
April 9, Arthur L. Wilson, labor,	51 00
April 9, Millie E. Shelley, board of J. C. Joslin,	61 00
April 9, Henry D. Pierce, labor,	20 00
April 9, Jennie L. Craig, board,	17 44
April 9, William O. Dinsmore, labor,	22 50
April 10, J. E. Sheldon, labor,	105 00
April 10, Omer G. Thompson, plaster, lime and freight,	58 08
April 11, L. M. Willard, electric wiring,	100 00
April 11, Knowlton & Stone, hardware supplies,	26 20
April 11, Edwin J. Goodnow, lumber,	91 12
April 11, The Burdett Chair Mfg. Co., lumber,	191 86
April 13, Kirke W. Wheeler, labor,	17 60
April 21, Thorwald Hanson, labor,	5 45
April 23, Wm. O. Dinsmore, labor,	45 36
April 26, Spencer Hardware Co., supplies,	348 00
May 2, Orville E. Ward, express and freight,	20 44
May 24, Robinson-Brett Lumber Co., lumber,	112 68

May 24, Nims, Whitney & Co., lumber, etc.,	134 00
May 24, The Webber Lumber & Supply Co., supplies,	6 85
May 28, A. J. Darling, supplies,	7 88
July 21, Arthur L. Wilson, 1 day's work,	3 50
Sept. 28, John H. Henry, use of staging brackets,	5 00
Nov. 20, L. M. Willard, wiring and fixtures,	195 00
Dec. 5, Earl Warren, supplies,	1 57
1918	
Jan. 3, Spencer Hardware Co., supplies,	33 09
Jan. 9, Pearson Bros., acc't furnace,	495 00
Feb. 15, Horatio Black, labor,	31 75
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	\$3,852 17

JENNIE L. B. CRAIG,

Treasurer.

February 15, 1918.

Having examined the accounts of the treasurer of the
Town Hall Building Committee, I find them correct.

ELWIN C. CLOUGH,

Auditor.

TOWN HALL REPORT

RECEIPTS FROM TOWN HALL ENTERTAINMENTS,

CONTRIBUTIONS AND BAZAAR SALES

June 15.	Admission and supper,	\$249 97
June 15.	Bazaar sales,	61 40
June 15.	Bazaar sales,	14 67
Aug. 23.	Admission and supper,	106 55
Aug. 23.	Dance tickets,	34 00
Aug. 23.	Bazaar and ice cream sales,	13 20
Contributions from local and non-residents of West-		
moreland,		312 00
		\$791 79

DISBURSEMENTS

Mar. 1.	Boston Scenic Co.,	\$228 01
June 12.	C. C. Beedle Piano Co.,	155 00
June 15.	Vigneault's Orchestra, 2 nights,	41 50
June 22.	Geo. H. Craig, painting,	26 50
June 26.	Cheshire Beef Co., 3 crates berries,	14 40
June 26.	C. A. Moore, 18 gals. ice cream,	18 00
June 26.	Earl Warren, supplies,	2 25
June 26.	L. G. Bullis, wigs and supplies,	4 75
June 28.	A. J. Darling, supplies,	10 82

June 28.	Books for plays,	3 75
July 5.	Sentinel Printing Co., printing and express,	5 48
Aug. 5.	W. P. Chamberlain Co., silverware and crockery,	31 24
Aug. 5.	E. A. Palmer, table linen,	17 92
Aug. 24.	L. G. Bullis, wigs,	2 80
Aug. 27.	Sentinel Printing Co., printing,	2 13
Aug. 27.	Vivian Wiggin, carfare,	5 00
Aug. 27.	Fanny Willard, carfare,	1 10
Aug. 27.	O. G. Thompson, Old Home supplies,	3 00
Aug. 27.	Old Home Day, orchestra for afternoon and evening,	34 00
Sept. 6.	J. R. Burt, 1 can milk,	2 00
Sept. 6.	J. R. Burt, lumber and gravel, hall,	27 50
Sept. 26.	Stearns & Hills, stamp for silver,	50
Sept. 27.	Webber Lumber Co., 2 columns for hall, 1918	99 00
Jan. 21.	C. A. Moore, 20 gals. ice cream for Old Home evening,	25 28
Feb. 14.	J. A. Craig, 1½ tons coal for use in hall 1917 and drawing,	17 92
Feb. 19.	H. D. Pierce, board of H. Black,	8 25
Feb. 19.	Aldrich & Co., chair for stage,	3 69
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		\$791 79

The citizens desire to express their thanks to the several community clubs and all friends who contributed money and useful articles toward furnishing the hall.

J. A. CRAIG,
For the Town of Westmoreland, N. H.

TRUSTEES' LIBRARY REPORT

RECEIPTS

Balance from last year,	\$12 35
Appropriation, required by law,	39 60
Appropriation, by vote of the town,	100 00
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	\$151 95

EXPENDITURES

Feb. 21.	A. B. Palmer, insurance on books,	\$9 00
July 26.	Geo. H. Craig, painting and paint,	12 42
Sept. 24.	Geo. H. Hall, repairs of roof,	75
Sept. 24.	Willard Bill, Jr., slate and work,	50
Nov. 27.	DeWolf Fiske & Co., 33 books,	37 15
Nov. 27.	Postage on books,	06
Dec. 1.	A. B. Palmer, insurance on books,	6 60
Dec. 1.	DeWolfe Fiske & Co., book,	1 80
Dec. 29.	G. H. Aldrich & Sons, insurance, on building,	13 20
Feb.	M. Ethie Shelley, librarian,	45 00
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		\$126 48
Cash in treasury to balance,		25 47
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		\$151 95

ASSETS

Cash in treasury,	\$25 47
Cash in librarian's hands,	6 77
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	\$32 24

ACCOUNTING OF THE MARTHA WOOD BURT LIBRARY
LEGACY

Invested in town note of \$500, 4 per cent interest,	\$500 00
Interest paid to July 2, 1917,	40 80
Interest accrued from July 2 to Feb. 15, 1918,	12 45
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Amount of fund Feb. 15, 1918,	\$553 25
Cash in trustees' hands,	\$40 80

Owing in part to the change of the law passed in the 1917 session by the N. H. Legislature relating to public libraries, we have been cautious in our expenditures, and having more than the usual amount of insurance to pay we have not bought as many books as we desired, or as many as we hope we can do the coming year. This year we respectfully ask for an appropriation of fifty dollars, only. Our information is that a legacy awaits your acceptance for the benefit of the library from one of our most loyal sons, whose benefactions for many years have attested his interest for the best welfare of his native town.

WILLARD BILL, Jr.,
Treasurer.

EVA J. BURT,
Trustee.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

RECEIPTS

Balance due from last year,	\$5 75
Fines collected,	2 55
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	\$8 30

EXPENDITURES

Supplies, postage and money orders,	\$1 53
Cash to balance, Jan. 31, 1918,	6 77
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	\$8 30

Number of patrons,	167
Number of volumes issued,	2,225
Number of volumes issued in 1916,	2,196
Number of magazines issued,	129
Number of volumes purchased,	35

Volumes presented:

O. L. Briggs,	1
Lovat Frazer,	1
Emile Carbormel,	1
New Hampshire Laws, 1917,	1
Library of congress report,	1
Laws of New Hampshire, Vol. 6., 1792-1801,	1
New Hampshire Bank report,	11

Interstate commerce commission,	1
State books,	3

Magazines:

Ladies Home Journal.

Pictorial Review.

McCalls,	Mrs. W. Bill
Geographic Magazines,	E. M. Messenger
Youth's Companion,	Miss Mary Spencer

Present number of volumes in Westmoreland library, 2,513

Present number of volumes in Martha Wood Burt

Memorial library, 736

M. ETHIE SHELLEY,

Librarian.

We have examined the report of the trustees of the public library and librarian and find them correct and properly vouched.

ELWIN C. CLOUGH,

OMER G. THOMPSON,

Auditors.

REPORT OF SCHOOL BOARD

For the Period From Feb. 15, 1917, to Feb. 1, 1918.

The following is a partial report for the period required by law passed by the last legislature. The financial period required in our next state report will cover the time between Feb. 15, 1917, and Sept. 1, 1918, and will be printed in the next town report.

REVENUE

From state:

Literary fund,	\$75 60
District superintendent rebate,	267 50
High school tuition rebate,	53 32
Average attendance rebate,	81 00
Qualified teachers,	312 00

\$789 42

Town tax for schools:

By law,	\$990 00
By vote,	1,100 00
District officers,	100 00
High school tuition,	400 00
Text books and supplies,	175 00
Flags and appurtenances,	5 00
Dog licenses,	59 00
For furnaces,	350 00
Milton Bradley, over-payment,	4 51

Interest on trust funds,	187 14	
Received for broken glass,	3 00	
Received of W. G. Reed,	5 00	
Received of W. G. Reed, old brick,	4 50	
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		\$3,383 15
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Total amount revenue from all sources,		\$4,172 57
General fund, cash on hand at beginning of year, in district treasury, Feb. 15, 1917, as reported by treasurer,	\$523 10	
Less difference between bank account and treasurer's account,	6 00	
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		\$517 10
In town treasury, Feb. 15, 1917,		62 84
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Grand total,		\$4,752 51

VILLAGE SCHOOL

Fannie Willard, teaching 18 weeks,	\$252 00
Ellen Record, teaching 1 week,	14 00
Thersa Walsh, teaching 18 weeks,	216 00
Vivian Wiggin, teaching 37 weeks,	444 00
E. C. Wellington, wood,	15 85
C. H. Norcross, janitor service,	54 00
Henry Bingham, transportation,	2 10
Donald Wellington, transportation,	6 20
Donald Wellington, sawing wood,	2 25
Kirke W. Wheeler, transportation,	24 20
Lawrence Hulett, transportation,	23 90
Marjorie Paine, transportation,	8 30
Mrs. Fred Besaw, transportation,	3 70

Ruth Grimes, cleaning,	90
E. C. Greene, transportation,	131 00
E. C. Greene, drawing wood and coal,	25 50
Viola Britton, cleaning,	6 10
Spencer Hardware Co., 2070 lbs. coal,	9 69
Giffin Coal Co., 1 ton coal,	9 10
Glen E. Britton, 6 cords wood,	30 00
A. J. Buffum, repairing windows, etc.,	5 50
George B. Veazie, materials for repairs,	6 47
Byron Davis, sawing wood,	5 40
Sewall & Co., gutter,	11 94
Alfred Chickering, transportation,	3 30
Nellie Harvey,	7 30
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	\$1,318 70

NORTH SCHOOL

Bernice Davis, teaching 6 weeks,	\$66 00
Katharine Donahue, teaching 30 weeks,	330 00
Susan Jones, cleaning,	4 00
Charles Field, janitor service,	3 00
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	\$403 00

EAST SCHOOL

Mary P. McGrath, teaching,	\$451 00
Mary P. McGrath, janitor service,	6 00
Walter Clough, janitor service,	3 00
E. H. Moulthrop, transportation,	5 50
Mary Field, transportation,	4 80
F. W. Hall, wood,	20 00
F. W. Aldrich, kindling,	2 00
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	\$492 30

CORNER SCHOOL

Sue L. Knight, teaching,	\$48 00
Marion Gilchrist, teaching 24 weeks,	280 00
Horace Hall, transportation,	71 00
Harold Stoddard, transportation,	15 95
H. C. Hurd, transportation,	21 80
C. E. Nichols, janitor service,	12 50
H. G. Hopkins, wood,	20 25
A. W. Atherton, supplies,	5 34
M. M. Greeley, labor shingling,	19 67
A. M. Greeley, labor shingling,	15 12
E. C. Wellington, shingles,	28 00
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	\$537 63

BOOKS

The Cobbler Co.,	\$2 93
E. E. Babb & Co.,	8 98
Silver Burdette Co.,	6 53
Benj. H. Sanborn,	2 26
D. Appleton & Co.,	5 83
Milton Bradley,	8 56
Literary Digest,	1 60
D. C. Heath & Co.,	7 10
The McMillan Co.,	6 88
Ginn & Co.,	4 37
Lyons Carnahan,	3 66
Houghton Mifflin & Co.,	3 81
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	\$62 51

SUPPLIES

J. L. Hammett,	\$6 42
John W. King,	23 03
Milton Bradley,	6 51
Sentinel Printing Co.,	4 38
Robertson Paper Co., paper,	4 95
W. H. Spalter,	2 17
United Supply Co.,	3 00
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	\$50 46

DISTRICT OFFICERS

E. C. Wellington, member of school board,	\$30 00
E. C. Greene, member of school board,	20 00
Alba W. Atherton, member of school board,	20 00
Alson C. Cobb, treasurer,	20 00
Willard Bill, Jr., clerk,	2 00
Williard Bill, Jr., taking enumeration,	5 86
E. J. Best, superintendent,	564 45
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	\$662 31

TUITION

William C. Hall, treasurer Union district,	\$155 04
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FURNACE ACCOUNT

W. H. Bodine,	\$323 43
Kirke W. Wheeler, labor,	23 27
John R. Burt, lumber,	9 00
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	\$355 70

SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES

Administration:

Salary of school board,	\$70 00	
Salary of other district officers,	22 00	
Salary of superintendent,	564 45	
Taking enumeration,	5 86	
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Instruction:

Teachers' salaries,	\$2,101 00	
Text books,	62 51	
Scholars' supplies,	50 46	
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Operation of school plants:

Janitor service and cleaning,	\$89 50	
Fuel,	140 04	
Building supplies,	15 34	
Minor repairs,	76 70	
Furnaces,	355 70	
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Auxiliary agencies:

Transportation:	\$329 05	
High school tuition,	155 04	
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Total expenditures,	<hr/>	\$4,037 65
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ESTIMATES FOR FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING SEPT. 1,
1918—AUG. 31, 1919, AND BALANCE OF
PRESENT SCHOOL YEAR

1.—Teachers' salaries,	\$3,000 00
2.—Superintendent's salary,	750 00
3.—Books and supplies,	175 00
4.—High school tuitions,	350 00
5.—Transportation,	500 00
6.—Salaries of district officers,	100 00
7.—Janitors and cleaning,	125 00
8.—Fuel,	200 00
9.—Repairs,	100 00
10.—Flags, etc.,	10 00

\$5,310 00

Less amount required by law,	\$990 00
Less Nos. 3, 4 and 10,	535 00
Less income from local funds, estimates,	175 00
Less dog tax,	75 00
Less estimate from state,	700 00
Less balance in town treasury,	443 42
Less balance in district treasury,	271 44

Estimate of money to be raised, \$2,120 14

Respectfully submitted,

E. C. WELLINGTON,

E. C. GREENE,

A. W. ATHERTON,

School Board.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

We submit for your consideration this, our fourth annual report, being the sixteenth in the series.

In the following statistical table we use the year as the unit. We give a few of the items included in the state report which are of interest to the citizens of Westmoreland. The table given is for the year ending in June 1917. The names of the new teachers are inserted.

School.	Teacher.	Total Enrollment.	Average Attendance.	Per cent of attendance
Advanced.	Fannie Willard	20	17	89
	Teresa Walsh			
Primary.	Vivian Wuggin	24	15	89
Depot.	Bernice Davis	24	14	88
	Katharine Donohue			
East.	Mary McGrath	18	12	92
Point.	Sue Knight	15	7	81
	Marian Gilchrist			

We have endeavored to maintain the schools with efficient teachers according to the new state program of studies. The new work is somewhat different from that given in previous years because of the changes made in this program. It affects the work of the seventh and eight grades in particular and others slightly. We have been watching the results during the year and have been convinced that it is possible under the new

plan to meet the needs of the child better, yet there are few teachers trained to do the work well.

We were unfortunate in not being able to retain Miss Willard for this year and also in the late change of teachers at the very beginning of the year in the same school. We have endeavored to meet the conditions as well as possible. With this exception no other changes have been made. The teachers have been aided in their work by advice given where it was needed, the development of the regular text books, and the purchase of supplementary readers for the school libraries which are intended to broaden the scope and emphasize the work of the teacher.

In the present world crisis we hear much of restricting the work in every undertaking and especially in that of the schools. Officials who have charge of educational matters in this country advise us not to make the mistakes of our allies in Europe and, in spite of the burdens we have to bear, to do what we can to maintain our schools at least at the standard of the present. We must secure good teachers. This will be difficult, if we have many places to fill, owing to the call for teachers to enter other occupations at larger salaries. All other running expenses of the schools must be larger. With a very dreary outlook before us we plan for the future. We can not make definite plans which may meet the needs even a few months in advance. We know that we have many problems to solve which have never come to us before. We must meet them when the time comes in such a way that the children who are to make the men and women of the next generation are not injured. We shall need your best efforts to help us in the work and patience with the results if they do not seem to meet the condition.

We expect to use the schools as a means to reach the homes and bring to them the calls of the state and nation for aid, if it is needed, and to spread the information which the

different departments of the government bring to our attention. Conservation and production will both have a place in the work of the school. We wish to teach habits of thrift and make the best use of what we have. Each pupil as far as possible should have a garden next year. It should have in it something which has food value and can be kept for winter use. We hope that the club work under the direction of the club leaders may be a success this year and that those who do not qualify in the contests may be looked after. We expect the teachers to do more this year in supervising and planning the garden than in other years. The pupils should be stimulated to greater activity that they may produce a profitable remuneration for their labor and share in the work which the times demand. The educational value is large and should appeal to the parents for this reason alone.

Another problem must be solved at the annual school meeting. The change in the school year has lengthened the period for which money has to be provided. The funds raised at the next school meeting are to be used for the schools of the town for the school year beginning Sept. 1st, 1918, and ending Aug. 31, 1919. If the balance is not large enough to finish the present school year, there should be, according to the new law, an appropriation to cover that time. It looks as though the funds could be raised on the notes of the town or school district and thus not make the burden come in the tax of one year. The report of the financial condition of the district here given by the school board shows the financial condition of the district to Feb. 1st, that you may provide for the future intelligently. The books must be kept open until Sept. 1st, 1918, however, and the report then made to the state will be that printed in the report next year. This report will contain two appropriations and the expenditures from Feb. 15, 1917, to Sept. 1st, 1918. There will be another school meeting in the spring of 1919, when another appropriation can be made before

Sept. 1st, but it will still continue the deficiency unless some way is provided for funds to cover the period from the first of February to the first of September, providing there is not a balance large enough for this need.

We wish to thank the people of Westmoreland for their cooperation in the work of the year. The teachers have done much to make the work efficient and deserve your support and encouragement. Both the teachers and the school board have given me loyal support. We hope that we have been able to aid them and that the schools of Westmoreland may meet the needs of the times and develop each year to meet new conditions and solve new problems.

E. J. BEST,
Superintendent.

DISTRICT TREASURER'S REPORT

As reported by Jennie L. Craig, district treasurer, Feb. 15, 1917

Balance on hand as reported by treasurer,	
Feb. 15, 1917,	\$523 10
Received of W. G. Reed, error,	5 00
	<hr/> \$528 10
Expenditures:	
Orders No. 1 to No. 7, inclusive,	\$368 00
	<hr/> \$160 10
Balance on hand turned over to William S.	
Gooch, district treasurer,	154 10
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Difference between bank account and treasurer's	
account,	\$6 00

ACCOUNT OF W. S. GOOCH, DISTRICT TREASURER

Received of Jennie L. Craig,	\$154 10
Received of town treasurer,	312 84
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Total receipts,	\$466 94
Expenditures:	
Orders No. 8 to No. 28, inclusive,	\$423 06
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Balance on hand, paid to A. C. Cobb, district	
treasurer,	\$43 88

REPORT OF A. C. COBB, DISTRICT TREASURER

June 1, 1917 and ending Feb. 1, 1918

Received of William S. Gooch,	\$43 88
Received of town treasurer,	3,275 00
Received of Fannie Willard, broken glass,	3 00
Received of Milton Bradley, over payment,	4 51
Received of A. J. Buffum, old brick,	4 50
Received of E. C. Wellington, interest on trust funds,	187 14
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	\$3,518 03

EXPENDITURES

Orders numbers 29 to 141 inclusive,	\$3,246.59
Balance on hand,	<hr/>
	\$271 44

ALSON C. COBB,
School District Treasurer.

I hereby certify that I have examined the accounts of the treasurers and school board and find them correct.

OMER G. THOMPSON,
Auditor.

VITAL STATISTICS

To the Selectmen:

In compliance with an act of the legislature, passed June session, 1887, amended by the legislature of 1889, requiring "clerks of towns and cities to furnish a transcript of the record of births, marriages and deaths to the municipal officers for publication in the Annual Report," I hereby submit the following:

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF WESTMORELAND, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1917.

Date of Birth	Name of Child (if any).	Sex and Condition.		Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.	Occupation of Father.	Birthplace of Father.	Birthplace of Mother.	Age of Father.	Age of Mother.
		Male or Female.	Living or Stillborn.							
Apr. 30	Cugelo	M	L	James Papsola	Lena Papsola	Laborer	Italy	Italy		
May 28	Elmira C.	F	L	Glenn E. Britton	Anna M. Barker	Farmer	Westmoreland	Westmoreland		
Sept 16	Beatrice E.	F	L	Harold L. Hudson	A. May Simons	Farmer	Guilford, Vt.	Dummerston, Vt.		
Sept 22	Alfred S.	M	L	Frank S. Bell	Elsie M. Felch	Laborer	Chesterfield	Marlow		
Oct. 3	Otis G.	M	L	Charles H. Cobleigh	Alice M. Grout	Farmer	Westmoreland	Hartland, Vt.		
Dec. 30	Ellen A.	F	L	William S. Starkey	Bertha L. Jarvis	Farmer	Westmoreland	Westmoreland		
Dec. 28	Jessie E.	F	L	Arthur C. Stanford	Jessie Cunningham	Forester	Essex, Vermont	Locust Grove N. Y.		
Apr. 27	* Satus	M	L	Guena Pampilo	Lena Pampilo		Italy	Italy		

* Born at Cheshire County Alms House.

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF WESTMORELAND, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1917.

Date of Marriage.	Place of Marriage.	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride.	Residence of each at time of Marriage.	Age in years.	Occupation of Groom and Bride.	Place of Birth of each.	Names of Parents.	Birthplace of Parents.	Condition.*	Name, Residence and Official Station of person by whom married.
Feb. 28	Bellows F. Vt	William E. Turner	Bellows F, Vt.	25	Chauffeur	Bellows F, Vt.	Fred W. Turner	Reading, Vt.	1st	Rv. J. W. Chesbro
	[land	Lola Belle Leach	Westm' r'land	18	Housekeeper	Westmoreland	Maud Turner	Swanzy	1st	B. Falls, Vt.
Apr. 11	Westmore-	Felis Erwin Aldrich	Westm' r'land	21	Fireman	Westmoreland	Elvira Turner	New York City	1st	
	[land	Ivy V. Lilly	Spofford	21	Housekeeper	East Jaffrey	George H. Aldrich	Westmoreland	1st	Rv. Wm. S. Gooch
Oct. 26	Westmore-	Forrest F. Hall	Westm' r'land	24	Farmer	Brattleboro, Vt.	Mary Houghton	Spofford	1st	
		Ellen C. Aldrich	Westm' r'land	18	Housekeeper	Westmoreland	George F. Lilly	Westmoreland	1st	
Oct. 18	Hartford, Ct.	Clayton E. Simmons	Ayer, Mass.	26	Farmer	Irassburg, Vt.	Nellie M. Collins	Walpole	1st	
		Jessie A. Dragoon	Westm' r'land	27	Housekeeper	Westmoreland	Horace H. Hall	Westmoreland	1st	Rv. Wm. S. Gooch
Nov. 28	Langdon	Hollis F. Stoddard	Westm' r'land	28	Farmer	Westmoreland	E. Tenney	Colrain, Mass.	1st	
		Marjorie May Peasie Alstead	Alstead	22	Housekeeper	Alstead	Frank E. Aldrich	Westmoreland	1st	
							Lena C. Wheeler	Jamaica, Vt.	1st	F. H. Mather J. P.
							Eugene Simmons		1st	
							Lillian Church		1st	
							Charles Dragoon		1st	
							Luella Howe	Vernon, Vt.	1st	
							Chas L. Stoddard	Westmoreland	1st	Rev. F. F. Scott
							Elmira Stoddard	Weston, Vt.	1st	
							Chas. W. Peasie	Ludlow, Vt.	1st	
							Nellie M. Laselle		1st	

* What marriage—whether 1st, 2d, etc.

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF WESTMORELAND, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1917.

Date of Death.	Name and Surname of the Deceased.	Age.		Place of Birth.	Sex and Cond'n	Place of Birth.		Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.
		Years.	Months.	Days.		Father.	Mother.		
Jan 28	Walter Pierce	58	1	2	M	Dummerston, Vt.	Westmoreland	John A. Kathan	Fannie Barrows
Feb. 14	Frank A. Kathan	68	2	14	M	Sullivan	Alstead	Charles B. Cook	Hannah Smith
" 27	Ellen H. Craig	85	2	28	F			Francis A. Bolster	
" 28	Franklin Bolster	63	2	10	M				Mary A. Allen
Apr 18	Theodore F. Thomas	61	11	21	M	Leoninster, Ms.	Keene	Henry H. Rogers	Stella A. Goodell
May 5	John H. Rogers	34	6	21	M	Londonderry, Vt.	Marlboro, Vt.	Asa A. Whitman	
" 30	Bernice A. Whitman	18	4	29	F	Swanton, Vt.	Swanton, Vt.	Andrew Carley	
June 13	Mary A. Waters	67	5	9	F	Walpole	Westmoreland	Albert V. Leonard	Orpha Britton
July 6	Emily W. Streeter	82	3	30	F	Mattapan, Ms.	Mattapan, Ms.	Samuel Chickering	Victoria Leavitt
" 11	Eva J. Swift	51	7	8	F	Gulford, Vt.	Westmoreland	Edward Andrews	Clarissa Hastings
" 17	Albert Chickering	94	4	1	M	Westmoreland	Norwood, N. Y.	William B. Britton	Lucy Finch
" 20	Ruby Rogers	22	6	11	F	Westmoreland	Townsend, Vt.		Delia S. Derry
" 31	Llewellyn W. Britton	54	6	11	M			Ezekiel Woodward	
Sept 16	Mary A. Gary	83	8	18	F				

* Single, married or widowed.

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF WESTMORELAND, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1917.
CHESHIRE COUNTY ALMS HOUSE.

Date of Death.	Name and Surname of the Deceased.	Age.		Place of Birth.	Sex and Cond'n	Place of Birth.		Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.
		Years.	Months.			Father.	Mother.		
Jan. 13	Morris Cunningham	79		Ireland	M				
" 26	Edward Harrington	67		Troy	M				
Feb. 8	Horace H. Houghton	55	7	Reading, Vt.	M				
Mar. 29	Fanny Waters	70	20	Jonesville, Vt.	S				
Apr. 10	William Phillips	85		Hinsdale	F				
" 10	Nelson H. Thomas	63		Marlboro	M				
May 2	Natlie Willitt	66			M				
" 9	Marshall Newton	85		Spofford	M				
June 12	Sumner Torry	63		Westmoreland	S				
July 10	Alfred Perry	83		Worcester, Mass.	M				
" 30	George Kimball	67		Winchester	M				
Aug. 27	Michael Enwright	52			M				
Nov. 12	Arthur Cathcart	52			M				

* Single, married or widowed.

I hereby certify that the foregoing transcript of births, marriages and deaths is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

EDWIN J. GOODNOW,
Town Clerk.

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